

# Proclamation



## CITY OF NORTHAMPTON COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

### 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Inauguration of Calvin Coolidge August 3, 2023

- WHEREAS,** Calvin Coolidge was a resident of Northampton, Massachusetts from 1895 to 1933; and
- WHEREAS,** He served as Northampton City Councilor in 1899, and Northampton City Solicitor from 1900-1901; and
- WHEREAS,** He represented Northampton in the Massachusetts House of Representatives from 1907-1908; and
- WHEREAS,** Calvin Coolidge served as the 16<sup>th</sup> Mayor of the City of Northampton, from January 1910 to December 1911; and
- WHEREAS,** He then represented Northampton in the Massachusetts Senate from 1912 through 1915, and was elected president of the Senate in 1914; and
- WHEREAS,** Calvin Coolidge served as the Lieutenant Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts from 1916-1918; and
- WHEREAS,** He was elected as the 48<sup>th</sup> Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts on November 5, 1918; and
- WHEREAS,** Calvin Coolidge was elected Vice-President of the United States on November 2, 1920, and served in that role from March 4, 1921 until the death of President Warren G. Harding on August 2, 1923;
- WHEREAS,** Calvin Coolidge was sworn in as President of the United States by his own father at 2:47 am on August 3, 1923 by the light of a kerosene lamp in Plymouth Notch, Vermont; and
- WHEREAS,** Upon leaving the highest office of the United States in 1929, Coolidge retired and lived the rest of his life in Northampton until his death on January 5, 1933; and
- WHEREAS,** During that time, Calvin Coolidge worked with Joseph Harrison, librarian at Forbes Library, to share his papers and memorabilia of public service with the residents of Northampton, in what is now known as the Calvin Coolidge Presidential Library and Museum in Forbes Library.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I,** Mayor Gina-Louise Sciarra, the 45<sup>th</sup> Mayor of Northampton, do hereby proclaim August 3, 2023 as the day commemorating in Northampton the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the inauguration of Calvin Coolidge as President of the United States.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** I have set my hand and imprinted the seal of the City of Northampton on this, third day of August 2023.



  
Mayor Gina-Louise Sciarra